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The Adam C. Richards Family of Miami, Florida

Adam C. Richards (1/4/1849-6/15/1937) buried in Miami City Cemetery
m. Elisabeth Louisa (Rose) Wagner Drew Sept 5, 1876 (1852-10/27/1933)
Files at the Historical Association of Southern Florida contain much
information on the Wagner and Richard families. Rose came here in 1858
as the daughter of William Wagner. In later life she told many stories
of what life was like here in the early days. She mentioned a Brown
family, the Fletchers, the George Fergusons and the Joe Farrells.

Adam was born at Canton, Ohio and arrived here in a very roundabout
way in 1875. Their marriage was the first to be performed in a little
Catholic Church that William Wagner had erected on his property. They
spent their first 15 months living in a palmetto hut on the Wagner
Place in what is now the Highland Park area of Miami. Adam made starch
and worked for Wagner.

In 1888 Adam purchased the Infinger Place just north of Matheson
Hammock and in 1890 he homesteaded 160 acres on the south side of (now)
Sunset Drive, getting a patent in 1895. The property is now bisected by
Erwin Road (S W 47 Avenue) off which Pinewood Cemetery is located.

Adam's obituary said that he was assessor and tax collector from
1877 to 1880 inclusive, and was tax collector in 1889 and 1890. He
took the federal census in 1880. He, also, told in later life how it
was, here, in the early days.

A daughter, Maud Black, supplied the names and birth dates of the
ten children before she died.

1. John Paul Richards (1877- deceased by 1949)

He never married. He died and was buried at Norfolk, Virginia.

2. Sarah Elisabeth (Maud) Richards (1/3/1879-7/28/1976) Miami City Cem.

m. 1st Charles F. Seibold October 16, 1899 (ca 1849-10/10/1910)

m. 2nd Ed Gould

m. 3rd Charles Black in 1928. He died in September, 1956.

Maud had no children. She lived on Old Cutler Road.

3. William Franklin Richards (3/15/1881-9/25/1904)

He did not marry. He was buried in Miami City Cemetery.

4. Laura Louise Richards (5/2/1883-4/ /1961) buried Woodlawn.

m. Lawrence H. Klopp

They had no children. They lived in Coral Gables, the Redlands
and at Key Largo.

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5. Cora Amelia Richards (4/29/1885-4/26/1976) buried Woodlawn Cemetery.
 m. 1st William E. Bindrim April 13, 1909. He died at New York.
 1. Eleanor Bindrim, born August 26, 1909.
 She lives at Miami, has not married.
 2. Arthur J. Bindrim, born March - - - - Married Gertrude - - - -
 There were no children. They live at Fort Myers Beach.
 3. William E. Bindrim Jr. (1914-1970) buried Miami City Cemetery.
 He did not marry. He served in the army in World War II.
 4. Elizabeth Bindrim, born September 23, 1919?
 m. 1st William D. Downs
 1. William Downs Jr.
 m. 2nd
 m. 2nd Henry Dietrich
 Henry served in the Marines, is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery.
 1. Henry Dietrich Jr.
 m. 1st Mary
 m. 2nd
 2. Yvonne Dietrich, born ca 1936.
 Yvonne has not married, lives with Charles Richards.
6. Charles Adam Richards, born July 25, 1887. He lives at Miami.
 m. Susan Adelaide Grew February 23, 1922 (buried Southern Memorial Park Cemetery). Charles was interviewed. He had no children.
7. Harley James Richards (11/26/1889-3/1/1961) bur Flagler Mem. Park Cem.
 m. Catherine H. Krosse May 29, 1916. Born April 27, 1899 at Peoria, Ill.
 1. Harley James Richards Jr., born October 5, 1918.
 m. Daisy Josephine Pasanen December 20, 1958. Born June 17, 1911.
 No children. They live at Seattle, Washington.
 2. Eugene E. Richards, born August 11, 1921.
 m. Audrey Cole April 4, 1964. Born June 6, 1916.
 They live at Miami. Eugene is retired from the U. S. Postal Service. No children.
 3. Helen K. Richards, born August 24, 1923.
 m. Herve Mongeon October 16, 1945. Born October 8, 1918.
 They divorced. Herve lives at Fort Worth, Texas. Helen lives at Miami and assisted with this compilation.
 1. Albert H. Mongeon, born January 14, 1947.
 m. Kathleen M. Webber July 30, 1968.
 Albert is in the Air Force, is now stationed in England.
 1. Michelle L. Mongeon, born February 5, 1969.
 2. Jacqueline M. Mongeon, born August 24, 1970.
 2. Lorraine H. Mongeon, born September 21, 1948, single.
 3. Donald E. Mongeon, born January 9, 1950, single.
 4. Pauline M. Mongeon, born May 22, 1951, single.
 5. Richard T. Mongeon, born May 28, 1954.
 m. Susan Pinkerton May 25, 1974. Born February 24, 1954.
 6. Joseph A. Mongeon, born May 21, 1957, is in Air Force.
 4. Daniel T. Richards, born December 30, 1925.
 m. Violet Grace Lageschulte August 25, 1952. Born March 13, 1923.
 They live at Goodyear, Arizona.
 1. Sue Ann Richards, born July 11, 1953.
 m. 1st Michael Edward Braun January 22, 1971.
 1. Michael Frank Braun, born January 5, 1973.
 m. 2nd James William Brumley August 20, 1974.

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8. Anthony Oliver Richards (1892-1907) buried Miami City Cemetery.
9. Arthur Samuel Richards, born August 8, 1896 per Gesu record.
m. Olga Baugh September 16, 1920 at Tampa. Born November 19, 1901.
Arthur lives near Summerfield, Florida.
 1. Mary Frances Richards (1921-1921)
 2. Adam C. Richards, born August 18, 1923, lives in Houston, Texas.
m. Joycelyn Brewer December 17, 1945.
 1. Russell Arthur Richards, born in February, 1947.
 2. Deborah Richards, born October 10, 1954.
 3. Chester Richards, born October 1, 1927.
m. 1st Vivian Keene February 19, 1949. (they divorced)
 1. Patrick Richards, born February 17, 1950.
 2. Christopher Richards, born July 13, 1954.
 3. Rosalind Richards, born April 18, 1956.
m. Anderson
 - m. 2nd Daisy Williams October 3, 1970.
4. David Richards, born June 3, 1938.
m. 1st Lucia Moura January 31, 1959 (she died August 7, 1969)
 1. Belinda Richards, born January 20, 1960.
 2. David Arthur Richards, born April 21, 1961.
 3. Maria Richards, born February 8, 1968.
m. 2nd Barbara Porro March 31, 1970.
10. Mary Elizabeth Richards (1900-1902) buried Miami City Cemetery.